

Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554

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Re: Docket # 11-65

Dear Commissioners:

It is no secret that technology is vital for economic development. As Chair of the State of Missouri House Committee on Economic Development, I can tell you that the pending AT&T merger with T-Mobile holds great promise for Missouri in the form of a much quicker deployment of 4G LTE high-speed mobile broadband technology across the state.

As more and more Missourians turn to wireless technology for home use and in business transactions, having the best technology available continues to be critical for our vision as a state and our efforts with economic development. An important component of Missouri's economic development efforts is tourism, and as a member of the state's House of Representatives Natural Resources and Tourism Committee, I can add that high-speed wireless technology is important for people who visit or wish to visit our state. Additionally this technology is absolutely crucial to our efforts to attract and expand businesses in Missouri.

This merger will not only benefit Missouri, which would see a significant expansion of access to high-speed mobile broadband technology, but also the entire country since 97 percent of American consumers would gain access to 4G LTE service.

I strongly urge you to approve the merger, and hope you will keep in mind the benefits it will bring to Missouri's efforts to stimulate economic development.

Sincerely,

Anne Zerr

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